

# EAA Ultralight Chapter 75

North Central Wisconsin Lite Flyers

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## Editorial Notes by Larry Gordon

### An Ugly Time of the Year (Even For Groundhogs)

This is the time of the year when the warmer weather is slowly thawing out the frozen ground, but not to a deep enough point to let the thawed moisture percolate down through the soil. This causes the surface layer of soil to be saturated with moisture, making it a sticky wicket to traverse it by any means, until the frost leaves the ground, or it refreezes deep enough to support the needed weight. Flying out of Wild Rose Idlewild Airport is currently on hold for the duration, as are most turf runway airports this time of the year. I wonder what the **"Mangy Fox" could do in this quagmire!** I guess I should be happy that the Rans is in the hangar, and not stuck on a taxiway.

### Been There Moments

During my initial paging through the March issue of Sport Aviation, several photos caught my attention as being familiar to me, if only from a story related to me, or recognition of photos from the past. One of the photos of the **places in the article, "Saving the Special Places" written by Sam Oleson**, about the mis-

sion and accomplishments of the Recreational Aviation Foundation (RAF), was visited by Chapter UL75 members on a flying adventure in Sept. **2021 to the "Arkanstol Ozark Backwoods Challenge". The RAF Ozark project, "Trigger Gap" (17A) airstrip, perched on top of a 1650' mountain ridge, was one of several of those "special places" we visited during our stay.** Since that flight to Arkansaw, I have found myself browsing the **RAF "Airfield Guide" on their website, to revisit airstrips and to find new aviation destinations to explore.** A couple of months ago, after hearing of the proposed Chapter 75 flying adventure to Kansas and beyond, I began web **surfing on the RAF "Airfield Guide" looking for airstrips for overnight stays. I hit "a bingo" in Beaumont KS, home of the historic 1879 Beaumont Hotel and the oldest wooden water tower in America.** The uniqueness of this find begins while taxiing **right up to the hotel's front doors!** To get a glimpse of the old Beaumont wooden railroad water tower, just turn to page 18 of the current issue **of Sport Aviation. It's like déjà vu all over again!** On flights to visit my brother and family, in



the agricultural heartland of the Midwest, I would park my plane at Glendale Airport (813), just west of Kokomo, IN. The last time I visited my brother while he was still living in IN, a big hangar had been built alongside the turf runway of Glendale Airport. I was told by the airport A&P mechanic that the hangar owner was building a scaled size 4 engined WWII bomber. Not having seen any activity at the hangar the days I was there, I think I just read about **Tom Hodgson's 1/2 scale B-29 plane build, as written in March's Sport Aviation by Jim Busha.** After not having seen the plane on its home turf for seven years, I hope to see it sooner at AirVenture!

### Latest Weather

The latest weather forecast calls for 2-3 days of snow in the coming week. I really **can't complain about the snow**, as long as the majority of the days are warm sunshine ones. Stay warm, dry, and on the pavement for the time being.

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March Madness



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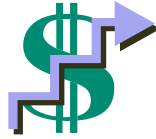
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**NCWLF Treasurer Report March 2023**  
Submitted by Larry Wenning

<u>Checking</u>		<u>Savings</u>	
Balance Forward	\$ 1,128.67	Balance Forward	\$ 14,684.31
Checking Deposits		Interest	0.11
	02/03/23 390.00	Transfer to Checking	4,500.00
	02/05/2023 4,500.00		
Checking Payments		<u>Savings Balance</u>	\$ 10,184.42
	Cash - February 100.00		
	EAA - Renewals 4584.00		
<u>Checking Balance</u>	\$ 1,334.67	<u>Total Cash</u>	\$ 11,519.09

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**Membership Dues Schedule**

- \$ 15 May
- \$ 12 August
- \$ 9 November
- \$ 6 February
- \$ 14 June
- \$ 11 September
- \$ 8 December
- \$ 5 March
- \$ 13 July
- \$ 10 October
- \$ 7 January
- \$ 4 April

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## February 2023 NCWLF Meeting Minutes

The February 18, 2023 Chapter 75 EAA meeting was called to order by President Steve Krueger at the Langlade County Airport. Thank you to John and Barb Szigat for hosting. In attendance was 41 members, 7 planes and Maggie.

**Secretary's report was read** aloud. Motion to accept was made by Gary Schulz and seconded by Dave Meyer. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's report was read** by Larry Wenning. Motion to accept made by Eric Lear and seconded by Hugh Hanig. Motion carried.

Dick Neitzel was given his Chapter Service Award and he gave us an update on the Tuesday Night Fly Nights the first and third Tuesday of June, July and August. First Tuesday in June will be at Merrill, first Tuesday in July will be at Norrie Brook and first Tuesday in August will be at Sherrico Meadows. Anyone

who wishes to host, please contact Dick. More information as it becomes available.

Chapter Journey Trip dates are May 13-20. More info later.

Mike Riley was thanked by the chapter for taking care of **the chapter's covered trailer**. It is all set for a few more years.

Steve hosted Airspace Jeopardy (two words that usually **don't go together**). He explained seven airspaces-Prohibited, Controlled Firing Ranges, Alert Area, Warning Area, Restricted, Military Operations Area (MOA) and National Security Area (NSA).

He then asked questions about each one. The audience was to answer in a Jeopardy manner. Seven members got the answers and received chocolate candy bars - very fun and informative!

Flying Reports:

Hugh Hanig is in school in Mankato, Minnesota. He will have his CFI rating by the end of the year.

John Szigat has the seats for his Dakota Hawk and has sat in them. He thinks he will have it completed in 8 or 9 years.

\$100 drawing was quick this month. First one drawn was Jim Tittle who was not at the meeting. Second drawn was Lyle Banser who was in attendance.

Thank you Bob!

Next meeting is March 18th at Medford Taylor County Airport. The old Hurd corporate hangar at the northeast corner of the airport.

Motion made by Dick Neitzel and seconded by Lyle Banser. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Hansen

Recording Secretary

## Next NCWLF Meeting March 18

Our next chapter meeting will be Saturday March 18th, 10:30 am at the Taylor Co Airport.

We will be in the old Hurd Corporate Hangar. Thank You to Al Mader for arranging our March Meeting.

Hope to see you there!

## Fly Nights 2023

Tuesday Night Fly Nights are the first and third Tuesday of June, July and August.

Here's our lineup so far.

June 6th at Merrill.

July 5th at Norrie Brook. Note this is on a Wednesday due to the July 4 holiday falling on the first Tuesday of July.

August 1st at Sherrico Meadows.

Looking to fill 6/20, 7/18, 8/15. If you are interested in hosting, please contact me with a text message 715 891 7213 (preferred) or email flyguy963@gmx.com.

Fly Safe! Dick Neitzel

## 2023 Calendar of Events

March 18 Chapter Meeting Medford Taylor County Airport

March 28-April 2 Sun N Fun Lakeland FL

April 15 Chapter Meeting

May 13-20 Chapter 75 Journey Trip \*Note change in date.

May 20 Chapter Meeting

June 6 Tuesday Fly Night Merrill Airport

June 17 Chapter Meeting

June 20 Tuesday Fly Night

July 5 Tuesday Fly Night Norrie Brook. Note this is on a Wednesday due to the July 4 holiday falling on the first Tuesday of July.

July 8 Chapter Meeting

July 18 Tuesday Fly Night

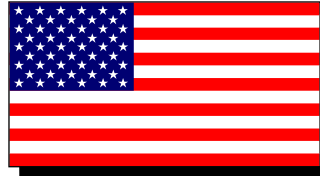
July 24-30 AirVenture Oshkosh

August 1 Tuesday Fly Night Sherrico Meadows

August 13 (The 25th) Boulder Jct Musky Day Fly In

August 15 Tuesday Fly Night

August 19 Chapter Meeting



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